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The Humble ADDRESS

Of the Right Honourable the

Lords Spiritual & Temporal

In Parliament Aſſembled,

Preſented to

HIS MAJESTY

On *Wedneſday* the Fourteenth Day of *May*, 1701.

AND

His Majeſties MOST GRACIOUS ANSWER THEREUNTO.

LONDON,
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Die Jovis 15° Maij, 1701.

IT is Ordered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Aſſembled, That the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of England *do give Order, that the Addreſs of this Houſe, and His Majeſties moſt Gracious Anſwer thereunto, be forthwith Printed and Publiſhed.*

Matth. Johnſon,
Cleric' Parliamentor'

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ADDRESS

Of the Right Honourable the

Lords Spiritual and Temporal

In PARLIAMENT Aſſembled.

Die Sabbati 10°. *Maij*, 1701.

WE Your Majeſties moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament Aſſembled, Return Your Majeſty our moſt humble Thanks, for Communicating to us the Letter from the States General to Your Majeſty. It gives us Opportunity (with great Satisfaction) to Repeat to Your Majeſty the Aſſurances of our Duty and Zeal for Your Service. And we take this Occaſion further to Aſſure Your Majeſty, we are very ſenſible of the Great and Imminent Danger to which the States General are at preſent Expoſed: And we do perfectly Agree with them, in believing, That their Safety and ours are ſo inſeparably United, that whatſoever is Ruine to the One, muſt be Fatal to the Other.

And we humbly Deſire Your Majeſty will be Pleaſed, not only to make Good all the Articles of any former Treaty to the States General, but that You will Enter into a Strict League, Offenſive and Defenſive, with them, for our Common Preſervation: And that You will Invite into it all Princes and States, who are Concerned in the preſent viſible Danger, ariſing from the Union of *France* and *Spain*.

And we further Deſire Your Majeſty, That You will be Pleaſed to Enter into ſuch Alliances with the Emperor, as Your Majeſty ſhall think fit, purſuant to the Ends of the Treaty of One thouſand ſix hundred eighty nine. Towards all which we Aſſure Your Majeſty of our Hearty and Sincere

Aſſiſtance; not Doubting but whenever Your Majeſty ſhall be Obliged to Engage for the Defence of Your Allies, and for Securing the Liberty and Quiet of *Europe*, Almighty God will Protect Your Sacred Perſon in ſo Righteous a Cauſe: And that the Unanimity, Wealth and Courage of Your Subjects, will Carry Your Majeſty, with Honour and Succeſs, through all the Difficulties of a Juſt War.

And in the laſt Place, with great Grief, we take Leave humbly to Repreſent to Your Majeſty, That the Dangers to which Your Kingdoms and Your Allies have been Expoſed, are chiefly owing to the Fatal Councils that Prevented Your Majeſties ſooner Meeting Your People in Parliament.

His Majeſties moſt Gracious Anſwer to the Addreſs.

My Lords,

I Thank you for the Expreſſions you make of your Duty and Zeal to My Service, and the Concern you ſhew for the Imminent Danger to which the States General are at preſent Expoſed. I ſhall take into Conſideration your Deſires to Me of Entring into new Meaſures with them, and other Princes and States for Our Common Preſervation: And you may be ſure it ſhall be always My Care to make ſuch Alliances with Our Neighbours, as may tend to Our own, and their greater Security; which will be the moſt Effectual Means to Raiſe the Honour of the Engliſh *Nation in Our Days, to the Reputation it hath Maintained in any former Times.*

FINIS.